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WITH SENIOR TREASURY OFFICIALS

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1. UNDERSECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SOLANO (WHO IS ACTING IN ABSENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTER OREJA) CALLED ME THIS MORNING TO SAY THAT SECRETARY STATE FOR ECONOMY JOSE RAMON ALVAREZ RENDUELES AND BANK OF SPAIN DIRECTOR GENERAL OF RESEARCH ANGEL ROJO HAD LEFT YESTERDAY FOR A QUICK, UNPUBLICIZED TRIP TO WASHINGTON WHERE THEY WILL BE TALKING WITH THE IMF AND ALSO WOULD LIKE TO TALK WITH UNDER SECRETARY SOLOMON AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY BERGSTEN OF TREASURY. THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT IS BEING SO CAREFUL TO AVOID PUBLICITY (PRESUMABLY TO AVOID ANY UNSETTLING EFFECT ON FINANCIAL MARKETS) THAT IT IS NOT EVEN ADVISING ITS EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. RENDUELES ANCDROJO CAN BE REACHED, INSTEAD, THROUGH EDUARDO OCTAVIO DE TOLEDO, ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE IMF FOR SPAIN.

2. FOR THE REASONS STATED IN MADRID 6357 I THINK IT WOULD BE MOST USEFUL FOR RENDUELES AND ROJO TO HAVE A CHANCE TO TALK WITH CONFIDENTIAL

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